

Date: 3 October 2005

TO: All Members of the Abingdon Area
Committee
FOR ATTENDANCE

TO: All Other Members of the Council
FOR INFORMATION

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **ABINGDON AREA COMMITTEE** to be held in the **NORTHCOURT CENTRE, ABINGDON** on **TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 2005** at **7.00 PM**.

Yours faithfully

Terry Stock
Chief Executive

Members are reminded of the provisions contained in Part 2 of the Local Code of Conduct, and Standing Order 34 regarding the declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

A G E N D A

Open to the Public including the Press

A large print version of this agenda is available. Any background papers referred to may be inspected by prior arrangement. Contact Carole Nicholl, Democratic Services Officer, on telephone number (01235) 547631.

Map and Vision

(Pages 5 - 6)

A map showing the location of the venue for this meeting, together with a copy the Council Vision are attached.

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

2. Minutes

(Pages 7 - 18)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Abingdon Area Committee held on 13 July 2005 attached.

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

In accordance with Part 2 of the Local Code of Conduct and the provisions of Standing Order 34, any Member with a personal interest must disclose the existence and nature of that interest to the meeting prior to the matter being debated. Where that personal interest is also a prejudicial interest, then the Member must withdraw from the room in which the meeting is being held and not seek improperly to influence any decision about the matter unless he/she has obtained a dispensation from the Standards Committee.

4. Urgent Business and Chair's Announcements

To receive notification of any matters, which the Chair determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the Chair.

5. Statements and Petitions from the Public Under Standing Order 32

Any statements and/or petitions from the public under Standing Order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

6. Questions from the Public Under Standing Order 32

Any questions from members of the public under Standing Order 32 will be asked at the meeting.

7. Service Level Agreement with Abingdon Town Council

(Wards Affected: Abingdon Abbey and Barton; Abingdon Caldecott; Abingdon Dunmore; Abingdon Fitzharris; Abingdon Northcourt; Abingdon Ock Meadow; Abingdon Peachcroft; Appleton and Cumnor;)

(Pages 19 - 20)

To receive and consider report 139/05 of the Head of Innovation and Enterprise attached.

Introduction & Report Summary

At its meeting on 13th July the Abingdon Area Committee resolved that it should receive a report on the proposed twinning service level agreement with Abingdon Town Council. Members wish to ensure that there is no overlap with the activities of the Abingdon & District Twin Town Society (ADTTS).

This report provides information about the proposed service level agreement.

The contact officer for this report is Toby Warren, Head of Innovation and Enterprise (Tel: 01235 547695).

Recommendation

that the report be received.

8. Targeting Grants for the Benefit of Abingdon

(Wards Affected: Abingdon Abbey and Barton; Abingdon Caldecott; Abingdon Dunmore; Abingdon Fitzharris; Abingdon Northcourt; Abingdon Ock Meadow; Abingdon Peachcroft;)

(Pages 21 - 31)

To receive and consider report 140/05 of the Head of Innovation and Enterprise and prospectus attached.

Introduction & Report Summary

At its meeting on 13th July the Abingdon Area Committee resolved that it should further consider the idea of a prospectus setting out the Committee's priorities in giving support to the local community.

This report provides further information which will assist the Committee in developing the prospectus.

The contact officer for this report is Toby Warren, Head of Innovation & Enterprise (Tel: 01235 547695).

Recommendation

that the report be received.

9. Abingdon Integrated Transport Strategy – Progress Up-Date

(Pages 32 - 33)

A Briefing Note is attached for information.

10. Community Grants

(Wards Affected: Abingdon Abbey and Barton; Abingdon Caldecott; Abingdon Dunmore; Abingdon Fitzharris; Abingdon Northcourt; Abingdon Ock Meadow; Abingdon Peachcroft; Sutton Courtenay and Appleford;)

(Pages 34 - 40)

To receive and consider report 138/05 of the Strategic Director attached.

Introduction and Report Summary

The purpose of this report is to set out the current budget position for this Committee in respect of Community Grants and to invite Members to consider and determine the grant applications received since the last meeting.

The contact officer for this report is Lorna Edwards, Community Strategy Officer (Tel: 01235 547626).

Recommendations

- (a) *Members are asked to note that the Head of Innovation and Enterprise has exercised officer delegation in consultation with the Chair of the Committee and awarded a grant of £27 to Mrs Packard of Rutherford Close, Abingdon, towards tree maintenance.*
- (b) *Members are asked to note that the Committee's current budget is £16,520.12.*
- (c) *Members are asked to determine the grant awards, the agenda and the Council priority in respect of the following: -*

- (i) *Mrs Robinson, The Thatched Cottage, Appleford, towards the cost of re-thatching (total cost £15,550), Environmental Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority;*
 - (ii) *Gordon Hudson & Co. towards the cost of tree maintenance and tree safety work in Shelley Court (total cost £2,062.13), Environmental Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority; and*
 - (iii) *Abingdon Performance Arts Group (APAGE), £4,000, towards the cost of printing & distributing the brochure for the 2006 Abingdon Arts Festival, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority.*
- (d) *that an update on the current status of grants awarded by this Committee during 2004/05 and 2005/06, shown at Appendix B be received.*

Exempt Information Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None.